

**City of Madison
Beautification and Tree Board
Monday, May 18, 2009
Conference Room, City Hall/6:00 p.m.**

**AGENDA
OPENING BUSINESS**

Welcome, Pat Cross

Present:

Guests: Angie Marcopolis, Maurice Thompson

Board Members: Pat Cross, Kristen Kulavich, Gean Nelson, Carol Umstaedter
Karen Jernigan, Jeanne Steadman, Rose Berry, Darla Malueg, Sue Bish, Liz
Cuneo, Shrail Heinrich

Maurice Thompson from TVA gave an update on tree trimming and tree removal that TVA was involved with in the area. He also informed us of their rules for deciding whether or not to cut or remove a tree and gave us information that distinguished how they operate their process of tree trimming/removal from that of Huntsville Utilities.

Review/Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved. Remaining minutes will be forwarded before next meeting to be checked for accuracy and then voted on for approval.

Treasurer's Report

Pat Cross gave the Treasurer's report

Beautification account balance-\$16,517.39

Tree Board account balance-\$5748.13

Clean the Green expenses-1815.96

Rose purchase-8500.00

Deposit from rose sales-\$6823.50

Still outstanding monies from NA Gas purchase of 25(\$325) and Parks/Rec
50(\$425) roses.

Hughes Road planting costs: \$1317.50

Mill/Sullivan planting costs:\$1487.50

Parks/Rec costs:\$425

Horizon costs:\$51

Total costs:\$3281

155 roses were planted at Hughes
175 roses were planted at Mill/Sullivan
14 roses were planted at Palmer Park
The remainder of the roses is to be planted at Dublin Park.

Donated Roses

Horizon Elementary
Parks/Recreation >386 donated to City entities
Mill/Sullivan planting

UPDATES

Auburn Design – Pat

Pat Cross updated us that she emailed Charlene LeBleu again and asked about the progress of our design package. Charlene emailed back and said that the City Hall Design is in the mail and should arrive soon. Pat Cross said she would let us all know when it arrived.

2nd Annual Community Rose Sale, April 18 – Kristen & Stephen

It was asked if next year, a change of location is needed. Casa Blanca, Appleby's, were suggested.

Clean the Green, May 9 – Kristen & Stephen

It was brought up that the Board will have to consider a date change for next year. Someone suggested renaming the festival for next year or at least add "environmental festival" behind Clean the Green.

Tree Trimming – Carol

Carol Umstaedter updated us on the ongoing tree trimming and tree removal being done in our area.

Beautification and Tree Board Office/Storage – Pat

Pat Cross updated us that our storage space/office needs to be painted and organized. She would like to set a future date to get that done.

10 K Run Through the Roses – Pat

Pat Cross updated us that there will be a Thursday, 5:30 meeting at her home with Kristen Kulavich and Darla Malueg to get started putting the Race and Party plans in place.

“Volunteers at Work” signs – Pat

Pat Cross updated us that the signs are done and ready for use. There were 5 made.

T-/Shirts – Pat

Pat Cross places tshirts left from charrette that needed to be picked up at the table and asked that those that had ordered them, please pick them up at the end of the meeting.

Pat Cross said that white tshirts have been ordered and should arrive this week.

Signature Benches

Kristen Kulavich reported that Madison Greenway and Trails are ready to pay for 3 signature benches for Mill Creek Greenway. They need a final picture so they can approve the bench purchase at their meeting. Kristen Kulavich has contacted Huntsville Metalworks to get the picture done and it will be forwarded at its completion.

Hanging Baskets

Jeanne Steadman and Gean Nelson updated us on completion of the hanging baskets that are at City Hall. They may need cutting back in July.

Programs

Yards of Madison – Liz

There was a great article in the previous Wednesday’s Madison Spirit that gave information regarding our Yards of Madison Program. Liz Cuneo received 5 nominations of yards for awards.

Liz Cuneo’s goal for the program is to eventually present yard signs for Yards of Madison winners to publicly congratulate them.

Pride of Madison Adopt-a-Mile, Spot, Park – Karen

Shrail Heinrich suggested we add the Library to list of spots to be adopted due to the heavy amount of litter.

NEW BUSINESS

Beautification Awards Judging, June 11 – Shrail and Jeanne

Shrail Heinrich and Jeanne Steadman reported that everything is taken care of for the judging. There have been 55 applications received so far. Drivers for the day have been secured.

Beautification Awards Luncheon, July 23 – Debbie
No update.

OPEN FORUM/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shrail Heinrich gave us the name of the new contact at the Madison Record-
jfew@madisoncountyrecord.com

Rose Berry brought up the subject of Madison being designated a Rose city? Gigi
Bulhman has emailed some of her contacts and asked for more information. She
will pass that along as it comes in.

Pat Cross updated us on Rose care for Hughes/Mill/Sullivan:
Friday Gean Nelson fertilized the newly planted roses, Rose Berry will trim them.
We decided not to use Roundup, Angie Marcopolis will gather volunteers to help
with getting the roses cared for, Sue Bish and Carol Umstaedter suggested using
newspaper as weedmat, We debated between using hardwood mulch or pine straw
for mulch. We decided on pine straw.

Angie wants someone to take care of plants in City Hall foyer and Garden Club
will be doing that.

The motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting and it was made so.